

Oregon Office of State Fire Marshal

Codes and Technical Services



Aerial Luminaries

The Oregon State Fire Marshal's Office is in the process of updating Technical Advisory No. 12-02 entitled **Aerial Luminaries**, also known as Sky Lanterns, UFO Balloons, Mini Hot Air Balloons, Khoom Fay, Wish Lanterns, and Kongming Lanterns and includes a generic description airborne paper lanterns as a result of a change in the definition of Fireworks as outlined in the Oregon Fire Code.

This change no longer defines Aerial Luminaries as Fireworks and therefore, a limited display permit is no longer available as outlined in OAR 837-012-0740(1).

Currently, these unmanned free-floating devices which contain an open flame or other heat source are regulated under Sections 305 and 308 of the Oregon Fire Code and are prohibited from being released where they can cause an unwanted fire.

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